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SUBJECT: CLEARANCE GRANTED TO R/V NATHANIEL B.
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REF: A) WELLINGTON 240; B) STATE 48293

¶1. Embassy is in receipt of a diplomatic note from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade dated 22 May, 2006, granting clearance to the R/V Nathaniel B. Palmer. The dip note outlines conditions of clearance.

¶2. The text of the dip note is as follows.

Begin text:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's email of 28 March 2006 and the attached completed application form requesting permission for the R/V Nathaniel B Palmer, a United States scientific research vessel, to conduct marine scientific research in the exclusive economic zone and territorial waters of New Zealand from 20 September 2006 to 31 January 2007 inclusive.

The Embassy further requested approval from the New Zealand Government for the above named vessel to call at the Port of Lyttelton for 36 days from 20 September to 5 October 2006, 19 October to 2 November 2006, and 17 December to 22 December 2006 and sought permission for the crew to disembark.

The Ministry is pleased to advise that approval has been given for the R/V Nathaniel B Palmer to undertake scientific research as described in the application subject to the conditions specified below.

The Ministry is further pleased to advise that approval has been given for the R/V Nathaniel B Palmer to call at the Port of Lyttelton and for the crew to disembark.

The Ministry notes that this approval is subject to the following conditions being met:

¶1. The following notifications will be provided to the Fisheries Communication Centre (FCC):
(i) 24 hours prior notice of entry of the vessel to the New Zealand Exclusive Economic Zone (NZEEZ), including date and estimated time of arrival and position of entry to the nearest arc;
(ii) 24 hours prior notice of any port call in New Zealand, including date, estimated time of

arrival and name of port;
(iii) notice of any port departure in New Zealand within two hours of departure;
(iv) daily position reports while the vessel is in NZEEZ or the territorial sea, to be sent within two hours of noon, including position to the nearest minute of the arc; and
(v) prior notice of departure from the NZEEZ, including date and time of departure and position of departure to the nearest minute of the arc.

¶2. The FCC can be contacted by email at fcc@fish.govt.nz or fax +64-4-801-5381. All reports should include the name and international radio call signal of the vessel.

¶3. Copies of all data collected and reports prepared based on data collected in areas under New Zealand jurisdiction, or alternatively details of where such data and reports can be obtained will be submitted to the New Zealand Government, in a form acceptable to New Zealand, as soon as possible, and within a 12 month period, after the conclusion of the cruise. This information will be treated as public information and may be made available to New Zealanders via the internet unless another arrangement is reached with the New Zealand Government.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade takes this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

End Text.

¶3. A copy of the dip note will be faxed to OES/OA and the original will be sent via pouch, registration number 9238734.

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